

Stretches of ocean beach to reopen at DNREC's Cape Henlopen State Park

LEWES – DNREC's Divisions of Parks & Recreation and Fish & Wildlife announced today that stretches of ocean beach between Gordons Pond and Herring Point, and beachfront along the ocean side of The Point on Cape Henlopen, will reopen Sept. 1, following the conclusion of beachnesting bird season. The beach is now accessible for fall surf-fishing, and in time for the Labor Day holiday weekend.

These areas have been closed to the public since March 1 for the benefit of threatened and endangered beachnesters and migratory shorebirds, including red knot, piping plovers, oystercatchers, least terns and other species.

The bay side of The Point will remain closed until Oct. 1 to give refuge to the many species of migratory birds that pass through Delaware on their way to overwintering grounds to the south.

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